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***"AN ACT CONCERNING RETIREMENT AND GROUP WELFARE
BENEFITS FOR CERTAIN UNCLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES OF THE
CONNECTICUT AIRPORT AUTHORITY."***

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 15-120mm of the 2014 supplement to the general
4 statutes is amended by adding subsection (h) as follows (*Effective from*
5 *passage*):

6 (NEW) (h) The executive director, as described in subsection (d) of
7 section 15-120bb, may, at the discretion of the authority and at the one-
8 time irrevocable option of the executive director, be exempted from the
9 provision of subsection (g) of this section for the purposes of
10 retirement under chapter 66 or group welfare benefits under sections
11 5-257 and 5-259. If the executive director elects either or both such

12 options, as approved by the authority, the executive director's
13 participation in the retirement or group benefits plan, as applicable,
14 shall be suspended during the period of such election while the
15 executive director is an employee of the authority. The authority may
16 develop and implement retirement plans and group welfare benefits
17 for the executive director. Such plans shall not be subject to
18 supervision, oversight or approval by the State Employees Retirement
19 Commission under chapter 66 or the Comptroller, Attorney General or
20 Insurance Commissioner under chapter 67, provided any such
21 retirement plan shall be considered a Connecticut retirement plan for
22 purposes of subsection (d) of section 5-160. The authority shall pay all
23 costs, fees, contributions and other expenses incurred as a result of any
24 such retirement plan or group welfare benefit.

25 Sec. 2. Section 20-340 of the general statutes is repealed and the
26 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

27 The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to: (1) Persons
28 employed by any federal, state or municipal agency; (2) employees of
29 any public service company regulated by the Public Utilities
30 Regulatory Authority or of any corporate affiliate of any such
31 company when the work performed by such affiliate is on behalf of a
32 public service company, but in either case only if the work performed
33 is in connection with the rendition of public utility service, including
34 the installation or maintenance of wire for community antenna
35 television service, or is in connection with the installation or
36 maintenance of wire or telephone sets for single-line telephone service
37 located inside the premises of a consumer; (3) employees of any
38 municipal corporation specially chartered by this state; (4) employees
39 of any contractor while such contractor is performing electrical-line or
40 emergency work for any public service company; (5) persons engaged
41 in the installation, maintenance, repair and service of electrical or other
42 appliances of a size customarily used for domestic use where such
43 installation commences at an outlet receptacle or connection
44 previously installed by persons licensed to do the same and

45 maintenance, repair and service is confined to the appliance itself and
46 its internal operation; (6) employees of industrial firms whose main
47 duties concern the maintenance of the electrical work, plumbing and
48 piping work, solar thermal work, heating, piping, cooling work, sheet
49 metal work, elevator installation, repair and maintenance work,
50 automotive glass work or flat glass work of such firm on its own
51 premises or on premises leased by it for its own use; (7) employees of
52 industrial firms when such employees' main duties concern the
53 fabrication of glass products or electrical, plumbing and piping, fire
54 protection sprinkler systems, solar, heating, piping, cooling, chemical
55 piping, sheet metal or elevator installation, repair and maintenance
56 equipment used in the production of goods sold by industrial firms,
57 except for products, electrical, plumbing and piping systems and
58 repair and maintenance equipment used directly in the production of a
59 product for human consumption; (8) persons performing work
60 necessary to the manufacture or repair of any apparatus, appliances,
61 fixtures, equipment or devices produced by it for sale or lease; (9)
62 employees of stage and theatrical companies performing the operation,
63 installation and maintenance of electrical equipment if such
64 installation commences at an outlet receptacle or connection
65 previously installed by persons licensed to make such installation; (10)
66 employees of carnivals, circuses or similar transient amusement shows
67 who install electrical work, provided such installation shall be subject
68 to the approval of the State Fire Marshal prior to use as otherwise
69 provided by law and shall comply with applicable municipal
70 ordinances and regulations; (11) persons engaged in the installation,
71 maintenance, repair and service of glass or electrical, plumbing, fire
72 protection sprinkler systems, solar, heating, piping, cooling and sheet
73 metal equipment in and about single-family residences owned and
74 occupied or to be occupied by such persons; provided any such
75 installation, maintenance and repair shall be subject to inspection and
76 approval by the building official of the municipality in which such
77 residence is located and shall conform to the requirements of the State
78 Building Code; (12) persons who install, maintain or repair glass in a
79 motor vehicle owned or leased by such persons; (13) persons or entities

80 holding themselves out to be retail sellers of glass products, but not
81 such persons or entities that also engage in automotive glass work or
82 flat glass work; (14) persons who install preglazed or preassembled
83 windows or doors in residential or commercial buildings; (15) persons
84 registered under chapter 400 who install safety-backed mirror
85 products or repair or replace flat glass in sizes not greater than thirty
86 square feet in residential buildings; (16) sheet metal work performed in
87 residential buildings consisting of six units or less by new home
88 construction contractors registered pursuant to chapter 399a, by home
89 improvement contractors registered pursuant to chapter 400 or by
90 persons licensed pursuant to this chapter, when such work is limited
91 to exhaust systems installed for hoods and fans in kitchens and baths,
92 clothes dryer exhaust systems, radon vent systems, fireplaces, fireplace
93 flues, masonry chimneys or prefabricated metal chimneys rated by
94 Underwriters Laboratories or installation of stand-alone appliances
95 including wood, pellet or other stand-alone stoves that are installed in
96 residential buildings by such contractors or persons; (17) employees of
97 or any contractor employed by and under the direction of a properly
98 licensed solar contractor, performing work limited to the hoisting,
99 placement and anchoring of solar collectors, photovoltaic panels,
100 towers or turbines; [and] (18) persons performing swimming pool
101 maintenance and repair work authorized pursuant to section 20-417aa;
102 and (19) any employee of the Connecticut Airport Authority covered
103 by a state collective bargaining agreement.

104 Sec. 3. Section 15-120bb of the 2014 supplement to the general
105 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
106 (*Effective from passage*):

107 (a) There is hereby established and created a body politic and
108 corporate, constituting a public instrumentality and political
109 subdivision of the state of Connecticut established and created for the
110 performance of an essential public and governmental function, to be
111 known as the Connecticut Airport Authority. The authority shall not
112 be construed to be a department, institution or agency of the state.

113 (b) The powers of the authority shall be vested in and exercised by a
114 board of directors, which shall consist of [eleven] thirteen members,
115 appointed as follows: (1) (A) The Treasurer or the Treasurer's designee,
116 (B) the Commissioner of Transportation or the commissioner's
117 designee, and (C) the Commissioner of Economic and Community
118 Development or the commissioner's designee, each serving ex officio;
119 (2) one appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives for a
120 term of four years; (3) one appointed by the minority leader of the
121 House of Representatives for a term of four years; (4) one appointed by
122 the president pro tempore of the Senate for a term of four years; [and]
123 (5) one appointed by the minority leader of the Senate for a term of
124 four years; (6) one appointed jointly by the cochairpersons of the joint
125 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
126 matters relating to transportation; and (7) one appointed jointly by the
127 ranking members of the joint standing committee of the General
128 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to transportation.
129 Thereafter, such members of the General Assembly shall appoint
130 members of the board to succeed such appointees whose terms expire
131 and each member so appointed shall hold office for a period of four
132 years from the first day of July in the year of his or her appointment.
133 The Governor shall appoint four members to the board as follows: (A)
134 Two members for two years; and (B) two members for four years.
135 Thereafter, the Governor shall appoint members of the board to
136 succeed such appointees whose terms expire and each member so
137 appointed shall hold office for a period of four years from July first in
138 the year of his or her appointment. Appointed directors shall have
139 business and management experience and shall include individuals
140 who have experience and expertise in one or more of the following
141 areas: (i) Financial planning, (ii) budgeting and assessment, (iii)
142 marketing, (iv) master planning, (v) aviation, and (vi) transportation
143 management.

144 (c) Appointed directors may not designate a representative to
145 perform in their absence their respective duties under this section. Any
146 appointed director who fails to attend three consecutive meetings of

147 the board or who fails to attend fifty per cent of all meetings of the
148 board held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have resigned
149 from the board. Any vacancy occurring other than by expiration of
150 term shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for
151 the balance of the unexpired term.

152 (d) The board of directors of the authority shall appoint an executive
153 director who shall not be a member of the board and who shall serve at
154 the pleasure of the board and receive such compensation as shall be
155 fixed by the board. The executive director shall be the chief
156 administrative officer of the authority and shall direct and supervise
157 administrative affairs and technical activities in accordance with the
158 directives of the board. The executive director shall approve all
159 accounts for salaries, allowable expenses of the authority or of any
160 employee or consultant thereof, and expenses incidental to the
161 operation of the authority. The executive director shall perform such
162 other duties as may be directed by the board in carrying out the
163 purposes of subdivision (12) of section 1-79, sections 1-120, 1-124 and
164 1-125, subsection (f) of section 4b-3, sections 13b-4 and 13b-42,
165 subsection (a) of section 13b-44 and sections 15-101aa and 15-120aa to
166 15-120oo, inclusive. The executive director shall be exempt from the
167 classified service. The executive director shall attend all meetings of
168 the board, keep a record of the proceedings of the authority and shall
169 maintain and be custodian of all books, documents and papers filed
170 with the authority and of the minute book or journal of the authority
171 and of its official seal. The executive director may cause copies to be
172 made of all minutes and other records and documents of the authority
173 and may give certificates under the official seal of the authority to the
174 effect that such copies are true copies, and all persons dealing with the
175 authority may rely upon such certificates.

176 (e) Each director shall be entitled to reimbursement for such
177 director's actual and necessary expenses incurred during the
178 performance of such director's official duties.

179 (f) Directors may engage in private employment, or in a profession

180 or business, subject to any applicable laws, rules and regulations of the
181 state or federal government regarding official ethics or conflict of
182 interest.

183 (g) [Six] Seven directors of the authority shall constitute a quorum
184 for the transaction of any business or the exercise of any power of the
185 authority. For the transaction of any business or the exercise of any
186 power of the authority, and except as otherwise provided in this
187 section, the authority may act by a majority of the directors present at
188 any meeting at which a quorum is in attendance.

189 (h) The board may delegate to [six] seven or more directors such
190 board powers and duties as it may deem necessary and proper in
191 conformity with the provisions of this section and its bylaws.

192 (i) The appointing authority for any director may remove such
193 director for inefficiency, neglect of duty or misconduct in office after
194 giving the director a copy of the charges against the director and an
195 opportunity to be heard, in person or by counsel, in the director's
196 defense, upon not less than ten days' notice. If any director shall be so
197 removed, the appointing authority for such director shall file in the
198 office of the Secretary of the State a complete statement of charges
199 made against such director and the appointing authority's findings on
200 such statement of charges, together with a complete record of the
201 proceedings.

202 (j) The authority shall continue as long as it has bonds or other
203 obligations outstanding and until its existence is terminated by law.
204 Upon the termination of the existence of the authority, all its rights and
205 properties shall pass to and be vested in the state of Connecticut.

206 (k) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, it shall
207 not constitute a conflict of interest for a trustee, director, partner or
208 officer of any person, firm or corporation, or any individual having a
209 financial interest in a person, firm or corporation, to serve as a director
210 of the authority, provided such trustee, director, partner, officer or

211 individual shall abstain from deliberation, action or vote by the
212 authority in specific respect to such person, firm or corporation.

213 (l) The Governor shall appoint the chairperson of the board, who
214 shall serve for a term of four years. The board shall elect from its
215 members a vice chairperson and such other officers as it deems
216 necessary. Vacancies among any officers shall be filled within thirty
217 days following the occurrence of such vacancy in the same manner as
218 the original selection. Said board shall establish bylaws to govern its
219 procedures and shall appoint such committees and advisory boards as
220 may be convenient or necessary in the transaction of its business.

221 (m) The initial members of the board may begin service
222 immediately upon appointment, but shall not serve past the sixth
223 Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly unless
224 qualified in the manner provided in section 4-7. Thereafter, all
225 appointments shall be made with the advice and consent of both
226 houses of the General Assembly, in the manner provided in section 4-
227 19."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	15-120mm
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	20-340
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	15-120bb